

The Liberal Democrat

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Mrs. G. E. Fessler of Hooker was a shopper in the city Tuesday.

A. F. Burch and Loren Wilkins of Guymon were here Sunday spending the day with relatives.

The county commissioners held their regular monthly meeting the first of the week.

TURKEY DINNER
Turkey dinner will be served at the Annex Cafe next Sunday. Usual price, 35 cents. Bring your family.

Dr. Jones was down from Hutchinson the last of the week attending to business and professional matters.

Misses Grace, Lottie and Minnie Edwards entertained a number of friends at a progressive game party Wednesday evening. A delightful luncheon was served by the hostess in Bostonian style before they departed for their homes.

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PROFIT IN PECANS

State Forester Favors Growing the Trees on Lands Subject to Overflow.

WOULD THRIVE ALONG RIVERS

Under Favorable Conditions the Trees Attain Large Size and Yield Abundant Crop.

That thousands of acres of Kansas land subject to flooding and now agriculturally unprofitable might be made a source of revenue through growing pecan trees, is the opinion of C. A. Scott, Kansas state forester at the Kansas State Agricultural college.

"The possibilities of pecan orcharding as an industry throughout the southeastern section of the state are excellent," said Mr. Scott. "The land along the water courses is well adapted to the growth of pecans and repeated floodings in no way injure the trees after they are a few years of age. If this land were utilized for growing pecans, the loss caused by floods in this section of the state would be reduced to a minimum, and, inasmuch as the flood season usually is in early summer, there would be no injury to the nut crop.

"The northern limit of the natural growth of the pecan is the Marias des Cygnes river and its tributaries, while the western limit is the Walnut river and its tributaries. Under favorable conditions pecan trees attain a large size and produce large quantities of nuts. Some of the largest trees are fully three feet in diameter and 75 feet in height.

"In years of heavy production, such a tree produces from 600 to 800 pounds of nuts. During the last 15 years the price paid for these nuts has varied from 7 to 15 cents per pound."

Dies at Wife's Bier.—While standing at the bier of his wife in Salina the Rev. F. E. Saunders, pastor of the Second M. E. church, collapsed and died before help could reach him. Mrs. Saunders died the day before and it is believed that the shock was the cause of Mr. Saunders' death. The minister and his wife were buried at the same time.

Society Girl Gets Job.—Miss Caroline Clapp, society leader and daughter of a Wichita millionaire, has gone to work in her father's banking house as an office girl. She says she will stay with the job until she has earned \$125 which she proposes to invest in furniture for a special room in a local hospital and present the furniture to the hospital.

Chiropractors Elect Officers.—The sixth annual convention of the Chiropractors of Kansas met in Emporia recently. Officers elected are: A. C. Foy, Topeka, president; E. J. Bourne, Parsons, first vice-president; W. F. Lippard, Great Bend, second vice-president; J. N. Gabriel, Topeka, secretary-treasurer.

Form Law and Order League.—A law and order league, with a membership of about 200 business and professional men and church workers, has been launched at Wichita as a part of Dr. E. J. Buigin's evangelistic campaign. W. C. Coleman, a manufacturer, was elected chairman. The executive committee is made up of a minister and active church workers.

Got \$600,000 for College.—E. R. Burkholder of McPherson, chairman of the financial managers of the \$600,000 endowment campaign for McPherson College, stated recently that the campaign had been successful. Mr. Burkholder himself gave \$10,000.

New Station for Williamsburg.—The new Santa Fe station at Williamsburg was dedicated recently by Miss Hazel Anstett, who broke a bottle of "clister champagne" across a corner of the building. It was the biggest day Williamsburg has had in its fifty years. More than two thousand persons attended.

Bandits Raid Gypsum.—Motor bandits the other night robbed two banks and three lumber yard offices at Gypsum, a small town near Salina, and escaped with \$200 in money, stamps and other valuables.

Early Settler Dies.—John Brandon, one of the early settlers of Leavenworth, died at his home there recently. He had been sick for more than a year. He was a native of England and was 85 years old.

College Fund Past \$500,000.—The records in the office of the fiscal secretary of Southwestern College at Winfield show that more than 14 million dollars of the total endowment unit of \$600,000 has been subscribed.

Boys Confess to Robberies.—The mystery surrounding a series of petty robberies at Independence was partly cleared with the confessions of a quartet of boys, from 18 to 20 years old, arrested with a motor car stolen from Doctor Stafford of Walnut in their possession.

His Death Mysterious.—W. T. Radcliff, 45 years old, died suddenly at his home in Wellington under circumstances indicating either that he had been poisoned or had taken some drug with suicidal intent.

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Chas. C. Seeley dropped in from Dodge City Friday to look after business matters and visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Seeley, north of town. We acknowledge a short call from Charles while in town, and note incidentally that he hasn't lost much weight since leaving Liberal.

Mrs. Caroline Webber, mother of G. H. and C. A. Webber, living near Hayne, passed away Sunday, December 3, after a short illness from pneumonia. Funeral services were held at the home of Chas. Tills, at 2:30 o'clock, Tuesday, and interment made in the Liberal cemetery. Mrs. Webber made her home with her sons near Hayne and was a beloved friend and neighbor in her community, and her sudden death will be mourned by all who knew her.

The real estate firm of Griffith & Baughman has been doing a sure enough "land office" business during the past month. In the last 40 days they have sold thirty quarters of land, averaging better than a quarter per day, a total of 6,500 acres. This, together with the land deals made by other real estate firms of Liberal, and there have been quite a few made, will give you some idea of how the land is moving at present. These deals do not include any city lots sold by any of the firms of which there have also been quite a number. Seward county is coming into her own.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Christian church entertained Saturday night at a farewell party in honor of Miss Mae Webster, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hobbie. The evening was spent playing progressive games and listening to musical numbers by several of the guests. Miss Webster has served two terms as president of the society and has always been a faithful worker in its activities. She was presented with a set of silver teaspoons by the members as a token of the esteem in which she was held by them. The social committee, assisted by Mrs. Hobbie, served a very dainty lunch to the guests. Miss Webster left Sunday for Wichita, where she will make her home from now on. She will be missed by her friends in the different organizations of the church, but they bespeak success for her in her new home.

ABOUT FEEDING THE HORSE

The efficiency of the farm horse next spring and summer will depend largely upon the feed and care it receives this winter, asserts Dr. C. W. Campbell, associate professor of animal husbandry in the Kansas State Agricultural college.

"Despite the fact that feeds are high in price, the farm horse must be well fed during the coming winter months," said Doctor McCampbell. "A study of market prices reveals the fact that bran and alfalfa hay are two of the cheapest feeds available when feeding value is considered. Both are well adapted to winter feeding because of the lighter work of the farm horse during the winter season, and because of the cooler weather. This being true, both should enter largely in the farm horse ration this winter.

"At present prices a combination of 6 parts of corn and 4 parts of bran is 20 cents a hundredweight cheaper than corn alone, and has practically the same feeding value as an equal weight of oats. Ten to 12 pounds of alfalfa hay a day in place of prairie hay will enable one to reduce the grain ration approximately 20 per cent.

"Large amounts of roughage, such as corn fodder, cane, and straw, which might otherwise be wasted, may be utilized when alfalfa hay is fed, for the richness of the alfalfa causes a craving for other roughage."

The size of the draft horse will depend largely upon the feed and care that the weanling receives during the first winter, asserts Doctor McCampbell. In developing the colt, it must be remembered that the feed it gets the first 18 months and especially the first winter determines to a great extent the size of the colt at maturity. The size of a horse determines very largely its value.

Good breeding gives wonderful possibilities, but it takes feeding if these possibilities are to be fully realized. The best bred colt will be no better than a scrub if fed upon a starvation ration.

A draft colt makes one-half of its development by the time it is one year old, hence the importance of a good start. The colt should be taught to eat grain before it is weaned, and after being weaned should be allowed a liberal ration of

alfalfa or clover hay with other available roughages, such as corn fodder, kafir butts, cane hay, and straw.

NEW TESTAMENT DEFINES A UNIVERSITY

"What is a University?" That question was asked Dr. Frank Strong, chancellor of the University of Kansas, recently.

"You'll find the definition of a university in the New Testament," Doctor Strong replied. "In the words, 'The truth shall make you free.' A university is an institution that endeavors to impart and promote intellectual freedom, some one has said very accurately. University training means openmindedness and that means progress and achievement. The minds of many men are closed and they are incapable of progress. They haven't intellectual freedom, cannot learn more truth be it of science, religious, statecraft, business or whatnot. The well trained university man or woman continues to grow. Beginning December 11 the University of Kansas will keep open house to the mothers and fathers of its students. The University greatly desires the mothers and fathers of its students to visit their sons and daughters a few days that week and to see just what the University is trying to do with their sons and daughters. The week will be known as 'Mothers' and Fathers' Week,' but there will be no formal program of entertainment to detract from the school work. Mother and father can see the work as it actually goes on and, truly, it is worth seeing."

John Williamson, who sold his farm west of Plains several months ago and has spent the intervening time looking for a location in northern Kansas, Colorado and Oklahoma, has returned to Seward county and closed a deal this week for four quarters of land through the Griffith & Baughman agency. His brother, Fred, also purchased two quarters at the same time. We honestly believe there is more land changing hands in Seward county at this time than in any county in the United States, and bringing higher prices than ever before in the history of Seward.

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